

United States Department of Agriculture  
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service  
Plant Protection & Quarantine  
4700 River Road  
Riverdale, MD 20737

**Permit to Move Live Plant Pests, Noxious Weeds, and Soil**  
Interstate Movement  
**Regulated by 7 CFR 330**

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<b>PERMITTEE NAME:</b>	Michael Pitcairn	<b>PERMIT NUMBER:</b>	P526P-20-00987
<b>ORGANIZATION:</b>	California Department of Food and Agriculture	<b>APPLICATION NUMBER:</b>	P526-200113-013
<b>ADDRESS:</b>	3288 Meadowview Road Sacramento, CA 95832	<b>FACILITY NUMBER:</b>	N/A
<b>MAILING ADDRESS:</b>	3288 Meadowview Road Sacramento, CA 95832	<b>HAND CARRY:</b>	No
<b>PHONE:</b>	916-262-2049	<b>DATE ISSUED:</b>	03/05/2020
<b>FAX:</b>	916-262-2059	<b>EXPIRES:</b>	<b>03/05/2023</b>
<b>DESTINATION:</b>	California Department of Food and Agriculture, 3288 Meadowview Road , Sacramento, CA 95832		
<b>RELEASE:</b>	Ash Creek Wildlife Area, Bieber, CA , (County: Lassen and Modoc)		

Under the conditions specified, this permit authorizes the following:

<u>Regulated Article</u>	<u>Life Stage(s)</u>	<u>Intended Use</u>	<u>Shipment Origins</u>	<u>Originally Collected</u>	<u>Culture Designation</u>
Aceria drabae	Any	Release - Biocontrol	MT	Originally Collected from Outside North America	

**PERMIT GUIDANCE**

- 1) This permit does not authorize movement or release into the environment of genetically engineered organisms produced with the regulated organisms described in this permit. Importation, interstate movement, and environmental release of genetically engineered plant pests require a different permit issued under regulations at 7 CFR part 340. Any unauthorized interstate movement or environmental release, including accidental release, of a regulated GE organism would be a violation of those regulations. Additional guidance and contact information for APHIS Biotechnology Regulatory Services, can be found at: <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/biotechnology>.
- 2) If an animal pathogen is identified in your shipment, to ensure appropriate safeguarding, please refer to [http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import\\_export/animals/animal\\_import/animal\\_imports\\_an\\_products.shtml](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/animals/animal_import/animal_imports_an_products.shtml)
- 3) If a human pathogen is identified, please refer to the CDC Etiologic Agent Import Permit Program at <http://www.cdc.gov/od/eaipp/>

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- 4) This permit does not fulfill the requirements of other federal or state regulatory authorities. Please contact the appropriate agencies, such as the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the APHIS Veterinary Services unit, the APHIS Biotechnology Regulatory Services, or your State's Department of Agriculture to ensure proper permitting.
- 5) If you are considering renewal of this permit, an application should be submitted at least 90 days prior to the expiration date of this permit to ensure continued coverage. Permits requiring containment facilities may take a longer period of time to process.

### PERMIT CONDITIONS

USDA-APHIS issues this permit to Michael Pitcairn, California Department of Food and Agriculture, 3288 Meadowview Road, Sacramento, CA 95832. This permit authorizes the interstate movement of *Aceria drabae* from primary sources within the continental United States to the Permit holder Michael Pitcairn, CDFA, and further authorizes the release and distribution of these species into the environment in the State of California for the biological control of *Lepidium draba*.

1.
  - This permit is issued by the United States Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS). It conveys APHIS regulations and requirements for the material(s) listed on this permit. It does not reduce or eliminate your legal duty and responsibility to comply with all other applicable Federal and State regulatory requirements.
  - The permit number or a copy of the permit must accompany the shipment.
  - You must be an individual at least 18 years old, or legal entity such as partnership, corporation, association, or joint venture.
  - You are legally responsible for complying with all permit requirements and permit conditions.
  - If you violate any applicable laws associated with this permit, you may face substantial civil or criminal penalties. We may cancel all current permits and deny future permit applications.
  - Without prior notice and during reasonable hours, authorized Federal and State Regulators must be allowed to inspect the conditions associated with the regulated materials/organisms authorized under this permit.
2. The permit holder must:
  - maintain a valid PPQ526 permit so long as the regulated materials/organisms are received, handled, and released,

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- take appropriate precautions to release regulated materials/organisms only at intended release sites,
- not assign or transfer this permit to other persons without APHIS PPQ authorization,
- maintain an official permanent work assignment, residence, or affiliation at the address on this permit,
- notify the Pest Permit Staff as soon as possible of any change in the permit holder's work assignment, residence, or affiliation,
- notify the Pest Permit Staff of the receipt of unauthorized and/or misdirected shipments of regulated materials/organisms.

Notifications to the Pest Permit Staff must be made via 866-524-5421 or [pest.permits@aphis.usda.gov](mailto:pest.permits@aphis.usda.gov) within one business day of the event triggering a notification.


3. All packages for transport must minimally consist of both inner/primary and outer/secondary packages securely sealed so that both are effective barriers to escape or unauthorized dissemination of the listed materials/organisms. The inner/primary package(s) will contain all regulated materials/organisms and must be cushioned and sealed in such a way that it remains sealed during shock, impact, and pressure changes that may occur. The outer/secondary shipping container must be rigid and strong enough to withstand typical shipping conditions (dropping, stacking, impact from other freight, etc.) without opening.
4. This permit authorizes the interstate movement of only *Aceria drabae*, and does not authorize other species.

All such organisms received must be directly from sources/localities within the Continental U.S. (excludes HI and territories of the United States); that is they must be from laboratory colonies located within the United States or must have been field collected from sites located within the continental U.S.

5. Prior to shipping *Aceria drabae*, OR prior to release in the field, the identity of weed biocontrol agents intended for release shall be verified by a qualified individual, such as a qualified federal or state official or other person sufficiently familiar with these species to reliably identify life stages shipped compared to other (similar) species.

Only *Aceria drabae* and associated host plant parts shall be released in the field. Other biological and non-biological materials in the shipment (contaminants), if any, shall be separated out by a

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reasonable and effective means which results in elimination and minimalizing of contaminants released in the field.

All such contaminants culled from received shipments shall be destroyed or at minimum double bagged and submitted to the municipal/local waste stream.

6. Host plant parts are authorized to be included in the shipments of regulated organisms. Shipments shall be free of propagative host plant parts as much as practical, except that propagative host plant parts are authorized to be included in the shipments of regulated organisms when these organisms normally live within a propagative plant part.
7. The permit holder must document and retain records of all releases, and make them available to Federal and State regulators upon request.

**END OF PERMIT CONDITIONS**

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